

IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A vehicle fitted with at least one tail light and a rear license plate to be illuminated, ~~characterized in that comprising:~~

an optical waveguide;

a light source for emitting a light beam to ~~an the~~ optical waveguide which is disposed adjacent the light source ~~is provided,~~;

said optical waveguide ~~being provided with~~ having an input surface facing towards the light source for inputting at least part of the light beam from the light source, ~~as well as with and~~ at least one output surface for outputting a light beam portion that is being passed through the optical waveguide to the license plate and/or the at least one tail light; and

at least one of a mirror and a lens configured to direct the

light beam portion that is being passed through the optical waveguide to the license plate and/or the at least one tail light.

2. (Currently Amended) A The vehicle according to claim 1, wherein the optical waveguide comprises at least ~~two~~ a first output surfaces surface and a second output surface, ~~of which one wherein~~ the first output surface outputs a first part of the light beam that is being passed through said optical waveguide to the license plate, ~~and of which the other wherein the second output surface~~ outputs a second part of the light beam that is being passed through said optical waveguide to the at least one tail light.

3. (Currently Amended) A The vehicle according to claim 1, wherein a part of the optical waveguide is ~~in part~~ disposed in front of the license plate.

4. (Currently Amended) A The vehicle according to claim 3, wherein the part of the optical waveguide that is disposed in front of the license plate is transparent.

5. (Currently Amended) A The vehicle according to claim 3, wherein the part of the optical waveguide that is disposed in front of the license plate comprises ~~means~~ the at least one of the mirror and the lens for directing the light beam that is being output from the output surface towards the license plate.

6. (Currently Amended) A The vehicle according to claim 1, wherein part of the optical waveguide is arranged ~~in part~~ near an edge of the license plate.

7. (Currently Amended) A The vehicle according to claim 6, wherein the part of the optical waveguide that is disposed near the edge of the license plate ~~particularly comprises~~ means the at least one of the mirror and the lens for directing the light beam that is being output from the output surfaces towards the license plate.

8. (Currently Amended) A The vehicle according to claim 1, wherein said vehicle comprises at least two tail lights.

9. (Currently Amended) A The vehicle according to claim 1,

wherein said light source comprises a ~~LED (light emitting diode)~~
light emitting diode.

10. (Currently Amended) An optical waveguide suitable for use
in a ~~a~~ the vehicle according to claim 1.

11. (New) The vehicle of claim 1, wherein the optical waveguide comprises a first portion which overlaps a second portion of the optical waveguide at an overlapping section, the optical waveguide being configured to illuminate at least two tail lights of the vehicle through the first portion and the second portion.

12. (New) The vehicle of claim 11, wherein the first portion is configured to receive the light beam from the light source and provide the light beam to the second portion via the overlapping section.

13. (New) The vehicle of claim 1, wherein the optical waveguide comprises a first portion having one end that forms an opening for receiving a second portion of the optical waveguide.

14.(New) The vehicle of claim 1, wherein the optical waveguide comprises a first portion having a first end configured to receive the light beam from the light source and provide the light beam to a second portion of the optical waveguide via a second end of the first portion, the second end forming an opening for receiving the second portion of the optical waveguide.

15.(New) The vehicle of claim 1, wherein the at least one of the mirror and the lens forms the at least one tail light.

16.(New) An optical waveguide included in a vehicle fitted with at least one tail light and a rear license plate to be illuminated, the optical waveguide comprising:

an input surface facing a light source, the input surface being configured to receive part of a light beam from the light source; and

at least one of a mirror and a lens configured for directing the part of the light beam that is being passed through the optical waveguide to a license plate and/or the at least one tail light of

the vehicle through at least one output surface of the optical waveguide.

17.(New) The optical waveguide of claim 16, wherein the at least one of a mirror and a lens forms the at least one tail light.

18.(New) The optical waveguide of claim 16, wherein the optical waveguide comprises a first portion which overlaps a second portion at an overlapping section for coupling light from the first portion to the second portion via the overlapping section.

19.(New) The optical waveguide of claim 16, wherein the optical waveguide comprises a first portion having one end that forms an opening for receiving a second portion of the optical waveguide.

20.(New) The optical waveguide of claim 16, wherein the optical waveguide comprises a first portion having a first end configured to receive the light beam from the light source and provide the light beam to a second portion of the optical waveguide

via a second end of the first portion, the second end forming an opening for receiving the second portion of the optical waveguide.